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Subject: FW: Request to meet with LDEQ on air monitoring in St. James Parish

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Subject: Re: Request to meet with LDEQ on air monitoring in St. James Parish

Dear Dr. Nance and Region 6 staff,

I wanted to follow up on my previous email. While we are not sure when exactly DEQ's award will be processed by EPA, the agency has stated that grants will begin to be processed by the end of this year. For this reason, we want to try and arrange this meeting as soon as possible, so that money has not already been allocated before input is given by the community. Please let us know whether or not anyone from your office can attend our call to provide expertise and help us ensure this air monitoring will adequately address the pollution concerns within St. James Parish.

Thank you, Shreyas Vasudevan

On Tue, Nov 15, 2022 at 10:27 AM Shreyas Vasudevan < shreyas@labucketbrigade.org wrote:

Dear Dr. Nance and Region 6 office,

Recently it was announced that LDEQ is among the recipients of EPA's ARP Enhanced Air Quality Monitoring Competitive Grant. \$500,000 will be given to LDEQ to "establish and operate a Temporarily Located Community air monitoring site that will provide... St. James Parish a voice in the monitoring of their air quality. [LDEQ] will deploy air monitoring equipment which will allow for near real-time air quality data availability for certain pollutants and the opportunity for community involvement."

We want to make sure that this funding is deployed in an effective manner, using proper equipment and methodology that generates data which can be compared to legal pollution standards. We will be requesting a meeting with LDEQ to determine this and address other community concerns regarding their air monitoring plans in St. James. Given the relevance of this development to the ongoing discussion between Inclusive LA, LABB, and Region 6, we would greatly appreciate your participation in our meeting with LDEQ.

If this is possible, please let us know of your availability so that we can arrange a meeting with LDEQ accordingly.

Best,

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